

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Agriculture and Higher Education

Senate Bill 419

Relating to: requiring the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to establish standards for products sold as honey, prohibiting the labeling as Wisconsin certified honey of a product that has not been determined to meet the standards, prohibiting the labeling as honey of a product that does not meet the standards, and requiring the exercise of rule-making authority.

By Senators Vinehout, Lehman, Miller, Schultz and Wirch; cosponsored by Representatives Garthwaite, Vruwink, Barca, Ballweg, Brooks, Clark, Hilgenberg, Kerkman, Knodl, Molepske Jr., A. Ott, Pasch, Pope-Roberts, Ripp, Roys, Schneider, Steinbrink, Tauchen, Turner, A. Williams, Young and Zigmunt.

December 03, 2009 Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Higher Education.

January 7, 2010 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (5) Senators Vinehout, Kreitlow, Plale, Harsdorf
and Kapanke.
Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Kathleen Vinehout, Alma — Sen.
- Phil Garthwaite, Dickeyville — Rep.
- Lee Heine, Hillsboro — WI Honey Producers
- Tim Fulton, Kenosha — WI Honey Producers
- Peter Barca, Kenosha — Rep.
- John Smith, Eau Galle
- William Van Haren, Blue Mounds — Pure Sweet Honey
- Susan Richards, Oregon

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- George Klaetsch, Madison — WI Agribusiness Council
- Waldeman Nass, Watertown
- Alan Baldwin, Darlington — Baldwin Apiaries

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- Paul Dietmann, Madison — DATCP

January 13, 2010

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (5) Senators Vinehout, Kreitlow, Plale, Harsdorf
and Kapanke.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Plale, seconded by Senator Harsdorf that
Senate Bill 419 be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (5) Senators Vinehout, Kreitlow, Plale, Harsdorf
and Kapanke.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

Joel Nilsestuen
Committee Clerk